# SOUTHERN DESERT CORRECTIONAL CENTER VISITING RULES/DRESS CODE

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## **Hours of Operation:**

- 1. The inmates visiting schedule at Southern Desert Correctional Center is determined by his classification.
  - General population inmates in Level I and Level II are authorized visits on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.
    - O Visitor check-in is from 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
    - O Visiting hours are 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
  - General population inmates in Level III are authorized visits on Mondays only.
    - O Visitor check-in will be from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
    - o Visiting hours are 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
  - **NOTE:** Gatehouse officers will issue a number to the visitors as they arrive between 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in order to expedite the check-in process.

### Identification:

Visitors must present proof of identification, i.e., State or federally issued I.D., Driver's License, Passport, or Consular Card and other vital information upon the request of the institution's officials before being permitted visits. Children 15 years of age and under must be accompanied by their parent (mother/father) or legal guardian, if a legal guardian they must submit original court documentation of the guardianship order. A copy of the birth certificate is required for identification of all minor children 15 years of age and under. An original is mandatory and a copy will be placed in the inmate's visiting file when presented at the same time as the original. Children 10 to 18 years of age also need a government issued identification card (school issued id's are acceptable), along with their birth certificate. Children who are 16 or 17 years of age may visit without the presence of their parents or legal guardian as long as they present a notarized letter from their parents/legal guardian giving them permission for the visit and present a valid state issued ID or driver's license. Valid forms of identification (in accordance with age requirements) are as follows:

- 1. Driver's License or State ID
- 2. Military I.D.
- 3. Passports
- 4. Birth Certificates (must be original).
- 5. Valid Mexican Consular Cards
- 6. (Health Cards, TAM Cards, Social Security Cards, Work ID or any other ID not listed above **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED** as valid forms of ID.)

Birth certificates and all legal documents must be legible and in English. Any documents presented that are not legible or not in English will not be accepted. If the documents are in another language, they must present the documents with a legally translated copy certified by a certified translator such as Nevada Legal,

All forms of ID must be current, legible, and with a clear photo. If the ID has any alterations (example: hole punched or stamped) that would question its validity. Paper printout must be supplied with hole punched ID.

DMV paper printout alone will not be acceptable. The visitor will not be permitted to enter until they can provide an approved form of ID.

## Notarized Letter for minor(s) not accompanied by their parent/legal guardian:

The notarized letter must contain the following information;

- The name of the parent or legal guardian granting permission for the visit.
- The child/children(s) name(s), who they are granting the permission to visit.
- The name of the approved adult visitor that they are allowing to bring the child/children
- The inmate's name and number they are approved to visit.
- The name of the institution where the inmate is located or The Nevada Department of Corrections.

#### Searches:

All visitors over the age of 18 will be required to sign a "Consent to Search" form. Minor(s) name and birth date will be added to the responsible adults "Consent to Search" form. Refusing to sign this form will automatically **DENY** your entrance to visit. A clothed pat search will be conducted upon completion of the visiting sign-in process on ALL visitors. Jackets, shoes, etc. need to be removed to be searched. All vehicles are subject to search at any time; this may include the use of certified Narcotic/Drug Detecting K-9's.

#### Allowed Visitors:

A maximum of four (4) approved visitors, per inmate, is allowed per visiting session (including children). However, through prior written approval of the Warden, additional visitors may be approved. This must be requested and approved at least five (5) days prior to the actual visit.

### Conduct of Visitors:

The visiting room has been set up for a maximum volume of inmates allowed, (150), for the safety and security of the institution. Due to this volume, we request that all visitors maintain their seating area in a clean and conservative manner. Minors must be accompanied by their guardians. Violations of this policy will be brought to the visitor/inmates attention.

#### Conduct of Visitor/Inmate:

The following actions could result in suspension or complete termination of visits and possible future visitation. Conduct such as but not limited to:

- 1) Serious or frequent rule violations
- 2) Failure to govern children if they become a continued disturbance
- 3) Inmates using microwaves and vending machines
- 4) Inmate fails to remain seated while inside the visiting room
- 5) Sexually stimulating activity
- 6) Prolonged kissing i.e., one simple kiss (closed mouth, no more than 2 seconds in duration) and one hug (no full length body contact or lifting) upon arrival and departure.
- 7) Hands placed anywhere on the body or face (holding hands is acceptable)
- 8) Sitting in laps (except for children 9 and under)
- 9) Laying on or across tables or on each other

Any close body contact as determined unacceptable by the Visiting Staff. Abusive language or behavior towards staff, another visitor or inmate will result in immediate termination of visit and possible further disciplinary action towards inmate.

#### Visitor Dress / Attire:

- 1. Visitors are not allowed to wear clothing similar to inmate issue attire (i.e., blue denim *shirts and/or pants*).
- 2. Visitors are required to wear sensible, conservative attire as interpreted by the Visitation Officer or Supervisor.
  - Ladies **must** wear undergarments (bras, panties, slip, etc.) at all times.
- 3. The following is a list of clothing items that **CANNOT** be worn or brought into the facility:
  - No blue jeans
  - No culottes
  - No blue shirts, skirts, pants, or jackets
    - Absolutely NO shades of blue such as but not limited to, aqua marine, teal, light blue or navy blue
  - No plain white T-shirts
  - No sleeveless tops, halter tops, tank tops or dresses
  - Sleeves must extend 2 inches over the shoulder, other than infants (0 to 12 months)
  - No midriff shirts (must cover the belt line)
  - No low cut blouses, dresses, or plunging necklines in the back or front of any garment
  - No zip up tops or blouses
  - No see-through clothing
    - Must not be able to see undergarments
  - No shorts worn by either male or female over the age of 9
  - No wrap around skirts
  - No hooded jackets, shirts and sweaters, other than infants (0 to 12 months)
  - No sweat type suits, pants, shirts/jogging suits of any color
  - No clothing depicting any athletic sports team or activity
  - No extreme baggy pants (male or female) as determined by visiting Staff
  - No hats/ headbands, scarves, or bandanas, other than infants (0 to 12 months)
  - No bare feet or flip flops. Shoes must be worn at all times other than infants (0 to 12 months); sandals with a strap around the heel are acceptable.
  - No sunglasses (prescription only).
  - No wigs, toupees, or hair pieces
  - No gloves other than infants (0 to 12 months)
  - No nursing or medical uniforms/ scrubs
  - No shoes with heels more than 2 inches high
  - No boots higher than mid-calf
  - No excessive jewelry (rings, bracelets, necklaces or earrings)
  - No tight fitting clothing
  - No stretch skirts or tight fitting skirts of any fabric
  - No spandex-type clothing, allowances may be made for pregnant women
  - No mini-skirts or mini-dresses
  - No slits longer than three (3) inches in skirts/dresses
  - No floor length skirts or dresses

- No dresses or skirts with buttons or zipper the total length of the garment
- Skirts and Capri pants are allowed
  - o They must cover the entire knee while sitting and standing
  - o Mid-calf in length or four (4) inches below the knee
- Dresses are allowed
  - o Dresses must be two (2) inch sleeve and mid-calf length
- Velour (velvet material) pants and Capri suits are allowed (no hoods)
- Jewelry allowed; 1 (one) ring per hand; 1 (one) set of earrings; 1 (one) watch; and 1 (one) necklace of religious nature.

Undergarments must be worn and shall not be visible at any time. Please be advised the dress code is **STRICTLY ENFORCED**. We ask that you please check your clothing pockets before **EVERY** visit to ensure that you are not in possession of any contraband, thus ensuring you are in full compliance with SDCC's visiting policy. Failure to comply with the dress code may cause you to lose your visiting privilege for the day. Due to security and volume of people going through the gate house, changing improper clothing will not be allowed once you've reached the visiting waiting area. It's at the visiting staffs' discretion if you are in compliance with SDCC's Visitor Dress Code.

#### Items Allowed in the Institution:

- 1) Valid Identification
- 2) A maximum of \$40.00 in quarters or dollar coins, IN A CLEAR BAG
- 3) Wheel Chairs, Canes and walkers
- 4) Oxygen

# Items NOT ALLOWED into the Institution or the Visiting Area:

- \_ No cell phones or any electronic devices or parts
- \_ No Illegal Narcotics of any kind
- \_ No wallets/purses
- No paper money
- \_ No food, drinks, or tobacco products
- \_ No gum
- \_ No cosmetics or Chapstick
- \_ No books, magazines, letters, papers, etc.
- \_ No pocket knives or nail clippers
- \_ No toys, games, strollers, or car seats. \*\*\*
- \_ No Legal papers / letters / pictures (prior approval required through Associate Warden of operations)

## Additional authorized baby items:

- 1) **NO** dry formula. Formula **MUST** be premixed and in see through container
- 2) Diapers (enough to last no more than 8 hours)
- 3) Baby wipes
- 4) Clearly marked baby food, in a factory sealed container

## **Medication:** (Only bring enough for one visit)

Allowable medications are as defined as "*LIFE SUSTAINING*" examples of these medications are, but not limited to the following:

1) Nitro Pills

- 2) Blood Pressure medication
- 3) Asthmatic Inhalers or devices
- 4) Seizure Medication

Items and medication that are not allowed in visitation are but are not limited to the following:

- 1. Vitamins
- 2. Pain Medicine
- 3. Anti-Anxiety Medication
- 4. Anti-Inflammatory Medication

Southern Desert Correctional Center Visitation Department welcomes you and appreciates all your cooperation with these Rules and Regulations to make everyone's visits the best possible.